









## LOCAL ITEMS.

Interest charged on all accounts, after thirty days.

L. V. & E. T. BLUM.

SALEM LODGE, NO. 36, I. O. O. F.  
Meets every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, in the hall over S. H. Smith's Store. V. O. THOMPSON, N. G.  
J. H. MASTER, Secretary.

SALEM ENCAMPMENT, NO. 20, I. O. O. F.  
Meets second and fourth Fridays of each month at 8 o'clock. Same hall as above.  
J. G. SIDER, C. P.  
C. E. CRIST, Scribe.

SALEM LODGE, NO. 18, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.  
Meets every Wednesday night, in same hall as Odd Fellows, at 8 o'clock. E. A. HAMILTON, C. C.  
J. H. SMITH, K. of R. & S.

WINSTON CHAPTER, NO. 24, ROYAL ARCH MASONS.  
Meets in the Masonic Hall in Winston, first and third Friday nights in each month.  
H. T. BARNES, High Priest.  
C. S. HADDER, Secretary.

## POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Salem, N. C. Post Office Arrangements.—Office hours from 6 o'clock, a. m., to 6 p. m., during the week. As no mails arrive or depart on Sunday the office will not be opened on that day.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF MAILS.  
RAILROAD, from Greensboro to Salem closes every day, except Sunday, at 6 a. m. Due every day, except Sunday, at 8 15 p. m.  
MOUNT AIRY MAIL, via Old Town, Bettsville, Five Forks, Dalton, Pilot Mountain, Ellettsville, and Tom's Creek. Closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6 30 a. m. Due Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 7 p. m.

MADISON MAIL, via Sedgwick Garden, Germantown, Walnut Cove and Sauratown. Closes Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 6 30 a. m., due Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5 p. m.

HUNTSVILLE MAIL, via Clarksboro, Lewisville and Panther Creek. Closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 30 a. m. Due Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 3 p. m.

FELTON MAIL, via Friesburg, Miller's Mill and Elizaville. Closes every Friday at 6 30 a. m., due every Saturday at 3 p. m.

RICHMOND HILL MAIL, via Mount Tabor, Vienna, Red Plains and East Bond. Closes every Friday at 6 a. m., due every Saturday at 2 p. m.

H. W. SHORE, P. M.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Rev. W. S. Bynum, of the Episcopal Church, will preach in the Court-House on Sunday morning next, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and in the afternoon at three o'clock. The members and friends of the Church will please notice the change of time of services.

PRAYER MEETING.—The Week of Prayer opened Sunday evening in the Moravian Church. Notwithstanding the bad condition of the pavements the attendance so far has been very good.

PRAYER Week is also being observed in the Methodist Church, Winston.

THE SALEM SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS have presented their worthy Superintendent, Mr. James T. Lineback, with a handsome Bible as a token of appreciation for his untiring services.

THE JUVENILE MISSIONARY SOCIETY held its quarterly meeting Sunday afternoon. After the usual routine of business had been disposed of, a collection was taken, which amounted to \$12.00. Upon a motion and vote of the Society the amount collected was appropriated to the Missions on Musquito Coast.

LIST YOUR PURCHASES.—Merchants, traders and all others, required by Law to pay a privilege Tax, are requested by the Register of Deeds of Forsyth, to hand in to him as soon as possible, a sworn statement of the amount of their purchases for the six months ending January 1st, 1877.

THE following officers of Salem Encampment No. 20, of the I. O. O. F., were elected on Tuesday evening, Dec. 9:

C. & P.—O. A. Fogle.  
H. P.—J. W. Shultz.  
S. W.—J. Masten.  
J. W.—V. O. Thompson.  
Treasurer.—J. D. Davis.  
Scribe.—C. E. Crist.

REMEMBER THE POOR.—A Supper will be given at the Boy's School House on Friday (to-morrow) afternoon, for the benefit of the poor in this vicinity. Doors open at 9 o'clock, P. M. All are invited to attend, and while enjoying the good things set before them, have the satisfaction of contributing something towards relieving the necessities of the unfortunate.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—On last Wednesday evening, as heretofore noticed, the Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 18, held an installation of officers. Grand Vice Chancellor E. A. Ebert officiated, and the following were installed before an audience of invited friends:

P. C.—R. A. Hamilton.  
C. C.—W. G. Bannison.  
V. C.—C. E. Crist.  
P.—C. W. Vogler.  
M. of E.—S. E. Allen.  
M. of F.—L. A. Brieze.  
K. of R. & S.—J. H. Shultz.  
M. at A.—H. B. Crist.  
I. G.—J. A. Brown.  
O. G.—C. L. Fisher.

An interesting address was delivered by the retiring Chancellor Commander, R. A. Hamilton.

Sitting postures are frequent sights upon the icy pavements.

LIVELY AND PICTURESQUE.—The water courses below town, having been frozen up for several days last week, accordingly Thursday afternoon was a lively time on this crystal surface. Numerous Gents and boys, gracefully or ungracefully as the case might be, skimmed along up the mill race to the "Sucker Hole" and "Long Pond" (names familiar to many a hoary head, and bringing back thoughts of youth and play,) and through the numerous broad ditches which net work the lowlands along the creek. It looked singular to see them navigating the little canals of the meadows, and many a laugh was raised at the tortuous meanderings of the skaters.

We like to see people go into things with a vim, but a friend of ours, who by the by, was quite a novice in the art yet thought he could go with the best, found to his cost that ice navigation, was treacherous, and his improvement, though perceptible, could not keep his legs from dodging out from under him, and giving him pyrotechnical displays more humiliating than pleasant. In short, he slipped, fell, and saw stars at noontide.

CHARITY.—A number of the Ladies of Salem visited various parts of town and vicinity, making inspection and giving aid to all who were found to be in need of assistance; and we regret that the number far exceeded their expectations. It was certainly a deed of true charity, and all engaged in the noble work deserve the thanks of our community.

Numerous donations are made annually to foreign parts, and why cannot a portion of such funds be reserved for the work which is needed at home?

A COMMITTEE, composed of three members from each Board of Commissioners of Salem and Winston, met and drew up a petition to the effect of prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors within two miles of Salem Female Academy, and of any Church in Winston.

The Temperance Society of Salem and Winston wish to make an amendment to the above, by making the distance 3 miles, and add thereto wine and malt liquors.—They have a long list of signatures to their petition for amendment.

THE MEMBERS of our Cornet Band anticipated treating the citizens of Salem and Winston with some of their best music, as well as themselves to a sleigh-ride on Saturday evening, but were prevented from so doing by inclemency of the weather.

WHISKEY.—An inebriate person was found upon one of our back streets Monday evening, nearly frozen, and had it not been for some persons passing that way as early as they did, he would certainly have met his death before morning.

THE Musical Society have selected for their winter's practice "Hayden's Creation;" and when all the parts are perfect, a Concert will be given, which will undoubtedly prove a rare treat in the musical line.

NEW MILL.—Mr. Wm. Nading has put up a new Corn Mill on the site of the "Old David Spach Saw Mill," 2 miles West of this place. It is nearly ready to run, and will be a convenience to the neighborhood. We are pleased to note any improvement in this vicinity, and wish Mr. Nading success in his enterprise.

RARE.—One of the omnibuses had a rare passenger to the depot Thursday evening, in the shape of a chicken, which had taken up its night's lodging upon the top of the vehicle.

BROWN'S WAREHOUSE has sustained some injury by the heavy weight of snow upon the South end, where two roofs connect, as did also several dilapidated buildings and awnings in and about town.

OUR TOWN Clock regulator must have been playing "Rip Van Winkle" on a small scale during the past week, judging from the manner in which the "old time piece" has been running behind.

A HORSE attached to the sleigh "Sallie," driven by Mr. Chas. W. Vogler, became frightened and ran away Friday afternoon, without doing any material damage.

PERSONS owning horses should see that they are properly shod, the icy condition of the roads rendering travelling very difficult at some points.

A teamster stopping at one of our wagon yards had \$10 worth of goods "lifted" by some unknown party from his vehicle, Monday night.

SLEIGHING.—Quite a lively time was experienced by the little boys Friday, in attaching their amateur sleighs to a large one, and making a tour through town.

New Moon on the 14th.

OUR OFFICE was visited Friday by a tramp, who complained very much of the present severity of the weather for such business.

SEE New Advertisement of Messrs. Patterson & Co's. great reduction in price of J. & P. Coats' Spool Thread.

ICE PACKING.—Mr. F. W. Meller of this place has repeated his last year's experiment of packing away ice above ground.

A number of our citizens are suffering from the effects of frost-bitten feet.

We noticed ice upon our street Wednesday, for packing purposes 8 inches thick.

UPON the last page will be found a poem from the pen of our townsman, Wm. P. Ormsby.

STON.—Messrs. Pfuhl & Stockton's new Store in Winston, already boasts a new neat gilt sign. It was painted by Mr. John G. Kerner.

ICE.—For several days during last week, crossing upon the Yadkin river was suspended, owing to the large quantities of ice.

SLEET and rain frequent visitors.

MR. E. L. HERR has removed to his newly completed residence in Winston.

STOLEN.—T. T. Best, Esq., during the holidays, had his coat of arms, silver, some person or persons unknown, and 10 or 12 pieces of pork stolen.

DIED, In Kernersville, on the 2nd inst., Mrs. ISABEL STUART, aged 64 years, 7 months and 10 days.

## LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING IN THE POST OFFICE AT SALEM, N. C., Jan. 1st, 1877.

LADIES' LIST.  
Miss Lizzie Beeson, Miss Emily Brendle, Miss Mary Brewer, Mrs. Emily Crater, Mrs. Sarah Coleman, care of Mr. Conrad, Miranda V. Crater, Miss C. S. Cate, Miss Sarah Craver, Miss Mary E. Fisher, 2, Miss Mollie Hilton, Mrs. Elizabeth Mock, Miss Romberger, Miss Ellen Reich, Miss Adia Stanford, Mrs. Lizzie Willard.

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.  
W. C. Brown, Jake Birk, W. B. Carter, Jr., Archibald Carter, Jefferson Cline, M. L. Charles, Jr., Adin Conrad, James Cornish, Jonathan Huff, G. S. Hall, R. M. Johnson, 2, Phillip Jeffers, Jesse Kousse, C. M. Kiser, Charles Knott, 2, Samuel Lord, Adam Long, Thomas McGee, Joseph Mendelhall, L. F. Matthews, Henry Robertson, W. O. Raper, Eli Smith, E. A. Swift, Wilson L. B. Sink, W. F. Vogler, George Williams, Jeffrey Yokley.

H. W. SHORE, P. M.

MR. J. E. MICKY has the largest stock of Cooking and Heating Stoves ever brought to this market. Stove Pipe, Stove Fixtures, Tin Wares, Wagons, Leather, &c., at the BIG COFFEE POT.

Mrs. J. E. MICKY has just returned from Philadelphia and New York with a fine stock of Millinery Goods and Notions.

Notice.—Applications will be made to the General Assembly, now in session, for Amendments to the Act of Incorporation, (or Charter) of the town of Salem, by AUGUSTUS FOGLE, Mayor. Salem, N. C. Nov. 25th, 1876.

NEW CALICOES, JEANS, WATER-PROOF GOODS—SHOES and BOOTS.—Just received at WOMACK & CO'S.

## J. & P. Coats' Thread.

Wholesale Prices Reduced to 65 cents per Dozen.

A Large supply just received, embracing all shades and colors.

Merchants will please send in their orders to PATTERSON & CO. Salem, N. C., Jan. 5th, 1877.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

\$2500 A YEAR, AGENTS WANTED ON OUR Grand and Exclusive Prospectus, representing 150 DISTRICT BOOKS wanted everywhere. THE BIGGEST THING EVER TRIED. Sales made from this when all single Books fail. Also Agents wanted on our MAGNIFICENT FAMILY BIBLES. Superior to all others. With invaluable maps and charts. Sent by express. These Books beat the World. Full particulars free. Address JOHN E. POTTER & CO., Publishers, PHILADELPHIA.

\$66 a week in your own town. Terms and \$5 outfit free. M. HALLETT & CO., Portland, Maine.

\$55 & \$77 a Week to Agents. Samples FREE. P. O. VICKORY, Augusta, Maine.

25 Extra Fine Mixed Cards, with name, 10c. post-paid. L. JONES & Co., Nassau, N. Y.

WANTED Men to sell to Merchants \$1000 a month and travelling expenses paid. Gen. Mfg. Co., St. Louis, Mo.

## The Little Rock and Fort Smith RAILWAY

FOR SALE

Farming Lands, Grazing Lands, Fruit Lands, Vine-Lands, Coal Lands, Wood Lands, some Prairie Lands, Uplands, and Bottom Lands, on terms to suit the Purchaser. Six per cent interest on deferred payments. Ten per cent discount for cash. For full particulars maps and pamphlets, apply to W. D. SLACK, Land Commissioner, Little Rock, Arkansas.

\$12 a day at home. Agents wanted. Outfit and terms free. TRUE & CO., Augusta, Me.

\$5 & \$20 per day at home. Samples worth \$5 free. STICKLEY & CO., Portland Me.

## THE MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY E. A. WOMACK & CO. SALEM, N. C.

BACON AND LARD:  
Western Sides, 11 to 12  
Country, 12 1/2 to 14  
Shoulders, 11 to 12 1/2  
Hams, 15 to 18  
Lard, 12 to 15

GRAIN:  
Corn, 60 to 65  
Wheat, \$1 10 to 1 20  
Oats, 50 to 60  
Flour (per 100 lbs.) 2 50 to 3 00  
Meal, " 2 00 to 2 25  
Chops, " 1 50 to 1 75  
Rice, Carolina, 10 to 12  
Flax Seed (per bushel), 12 to 15

PRODUCE:  
Apples, green, 0 50 to 0 60  
Eggs, 12 to 15  
Butter, 20 to 25  
Feathers, 50 to 60  
Beeswax, 25 to 30  
Potatoes, Sweet, 00 to 0 50  
" Irish, 40 to 60  
Hay, 40 to 50

GRASSES:  
Coffee, 25 to 30  
Sugar, 10 to 12 1/2  
Molasses, dark, 30 to 40  
" syrup, 80 to 85  
Salt, coarse, (per sack) 1 40 to 1 50  
" fine, dairy " 2 15 to 2 20  
Soda, English, 30 to 40  
Black Pepper, sifted, 30 to 40  
Alspice, 30 to 40  
Cheese, old country, 18 to 20  
Candy, in box, 15 to 15 1/2  
Higgins' Soap, per bar, 8 1/2 to 10  
Armstrong's Soap, per bar, 7 to 10

OILS:  
Lamp Oil, 40 to 50  
Linedeed, 1 15 to 1 25  
Sweet, 1 25 to 0 00  
Castor, 0 00 to 0 00  
Machin, 1 25 to 3 00

NAILS AND IRON:  
Old Dominion, 10d, 3 65  
" " 8d, 3 90  
" " 6d, 4 15  
" " 4d, 4 40  
Hammered iron, 5 1/2 to 6  
Nails, 3 1/2 to 4

LEATHER AND HIDES:  
Sole, 35 1/2 to 30  
Upper, 40 to 75  
Harness, 37 to 40  
Hides, dry, 8 to 10

LUMBER AND SHINGLES:  
Heart Pine Lumber, 1 50  
Ordinary, 1 25  
Long Leaf Pine Shingles, 4 50 to 5 00  
Hoop Poles, 3 to 4  
YARNS AND SHIRTINGS:  
Fries, 95 to 1 00  
" Sheetings, 95 to 97  
" Cotton Batting per dozen, 2 25

CHARLOTTE, JAN. 5.—Flour, 3 25 to 3 50; Wheat, 1 25 to 1 50; Apple Brandy, 1 75 to 2 00.

NEW YORK, JAN. 8.—Gold, 106 1/2; Flour, 5 75 to 7 00; Wheat, dull and lower; Corn, 60 to 62 1/2.

BALTIMORE, JAN. 8.—Flour, 4 75 to 5 00; Wheat, 1 12 to 1 50; Corn, 55 to 58; Bacon, 8 to 10 1/2; Lard, 10 to 12.

WINSTON TOBACCO MARKET.  
Common, 5 00 to 8 00  
Good working, 8 50 to 11 00  
Bright medium smokers, 8 00 to 10 00  
Fancy smokers, 10 00 to 18 00  
Common, LEAF, 6 00 to 10 00  
Good, 10 00 to 12 00  
Medium wrappers, 12 00 to 17 00  
Yellow do, 20 00 to 30 00  
Fancy do, 35 00 to 50 00  
Mahogany medium, 16 00 to 25 00  
do. good, 30 00 to 40 00

## 1876. 1877. The American Farmer.

Pioneer of American Farm Journals. SOLID, RELIABLE, PROGRESSIVE. Carefully edited, and having the aid of a large number of correspondents, eminent in their respective departments of farm industry, it will, in the coming volume, under the same control as for nearly a third of a century, continue devoted to the cause of agricultural improvement.

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## NEW STYLES Paper and Envelopes,

AT THE BOOK STORE, DOMINOS, CHECKERMAN, CHECKER BOARDS, CONSISTING OF REPPS in four tints, in a neat box. LEGAL FOLD.

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AT THE BOOK STORE.

## FARM FOR SALE.

A VERY DESIRABLE FARM for sale, known as "Sunny Strs," formerly owned by E. A. Vogler. It contains about 30 acres, is well improved by good buildings, has good timber and an excellent orchard of apple and peach trees, just of good bearing age. Lying within one mile of Salem, it offers all the advantages of easy access to the schools and to the market. For further particulars and terms, apply to M. H. CORNELL, on the premises, or H. W. FRIES, Salem, N. C. Dec. 21, 1876-51.

## Grape Vines & Peach Trees.

I have on hand a lot of Grape Vines one and two years old, well rooted, of the best varieties, cultivated in this country. Also some thirty varieties of the best improved peaches, which will mature commencing about the 10th of June and continue until the first of October, all of which I will sell very low for cash. My address is Salem, Forsyth Co., N. C. My Vineyard and Nurseries are: Arcade Arbor, six miles East of Salem. Nov. 16-66/2m. E. F. LYNVILLE.

GRAPE GROWERS. The Grape Growers of Forsyth County are requested to meet on the 6th day of January, 1877, at the Court House in Winston, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of organizing a Wine Company. If weather does not permit, the meeting will be postponed until Saturday the 13th.

GRAPE GROWERS.

D. R. LEAK. WINSTON. T. A. WILSON.

## Marble and Granite Works!

The undersigned respectfully announce that they have opened a first class

## MARBLE & GRANITE YARD.

Where they are prepared to furnish MARBLE HEADSTONES, MONUMENTS, TOMBSTONES, MANTELS, &c., &c.

Granite Work for Building and Graveyard purposes. All Monuments and Tombs executed in the

FINEST STYLE! NONE BUT SKILLED WORKMEN EMPLOYED.

Orders from a distance solicited and promptly filled at prices that cannot be undersold. Designs sent to any one on application, free of charge. Country produce of all kinds taken in exchange for work. All work warranted. Address LEAK & WILSON, WINSTON, N. C. June 27, 1876.

## A NEW STOCK OF FALL AND WINTER GOODS AT

MRS. DOUTHITT'S.



Mrs. Douthitt returns thanks for the very liberal encouragement received, and hopes to be able to ease her friends and the public, in future. Salem, N. C., October 15th, 1876.

## SMITH'S DRUG STORE.

SAMUEL H. SMITH, DRUGGIST,

One Door Below Newell, Mitchell & Co's, WINSTON, N. C.

AS I AM BETTER PREPARED TO SERVE THE Public than ever, I call the attention of buyers to my well selected Stock of

Pure Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Paints, Dye-Stuffs,

Solid and Fluid Extracts, Fancy and Toilet Articles, Stationery of all kinds,

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I will make it to the interest of buyers to call and see me. Remember that I receive New Goods every week, and all medicines that go out of Store are pure and reliable, as they from the best and most reliable Drug Houses in the country.

My experience in the Drug business, and success since I have been in Winston, is a sufficient guarantee, as to my ability in Compounding Drugs, filling Prescriptions, &c.

Thanking my many friends and customers for their patronage, so liberally bestowed, I hope to merit a continuance of the same, by strict personal attention to business.

WINSTON, N. C.

## FARMER'S HEADQUARTER

THE OLD RELIABLE BROWN'S WARE HOUSE,

The Proprietors would remind their friends and patrons that they

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Will always gladly welcome you and extend every attention possible, and continue to Guarantee the Highest Market Prices, Promptness and Accuracy. Your Friends, Truly, T. J. BROWN & CO. Nov. 18, 1876.

## LAMPS! LAMPS!!

Just received the largest STOCK OF LAMPS

I ever offered. Parties can now get a fine LAMP at manufacturer's prices.

J. L. FULKERSON, Salem, N. C. October 16th, 1876.

## LAND.

Any one having land for sale in Forsyth or the adjoining counties would do well to correspond with the undersigned. State particulars as to location, nature of soil, growths, &c., and whether the land contains mica.

JOHN HENRY BOKER, Land Agent, No. 9, H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

## NOTICE

APPLICATION will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina, now in session, for an act to incorporate the Board of Provincial Elders of the Southern Province of the Moravian Church, or Unions Fratrum.

## A VALUABLE BOOK FOR EVERYBODY!

For Sale CHEAP at the Salem BOOK STORE. DIARIES, for 1877, cheap, at the SALEM BOOKSTORE. MEMORANDUMS, in great variety at the SALEM BOOKSTORE. INITIAL PAPER.—In great variety at the Salem Bookstore.



## Poetry.

Christmas Past, Christmas Present and Christmas to Come.

The following was recited at the recent Christmas Concert given by the Salem Sunday School, and is from the pen of Mr. WILLIAM P. ORMSBY. It is excellent, and was a most appropriate tribute to the festive season:

### CHRISTMAS PAST.

[Dress, a dark robe covered with snow on the shoulders, a crown, and long flowing white hair.]

With frozen locks and drooping frame,  
"Through many a wintry blast,  
I've lived upon the scroll of Feme,  
As King of CHRISTMAS PAST."  
"Full eighteen hundred years ago,  
My story first began,  
Proclaiming Peace on Earth below,  
And Christ's good will to man;  
And every year that since has rolled  
From out the web of Time,  
Has echoed on a thousand-fold  
My merry Christmas chime;  
And ever every distant land,  
Where gospel truth is known,  
Men bow their heads at my command  
Before the Saviour's throne.  
But hark! I hear a footstep near,  
That bids me haste away,  
As silent shadows disappear  
Before the dawn of day.  
Tis over thus—Life's constant tide  
Moves towards Eternity  
As streamlets to the rivers glide  
And rivers to the sea."

[Here enters CHRISTMAS PRESENT, as CHRISTMAS PAST disappears.]

### CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

[Dress, a fur-robe, a crown of ivy and berries with a green sceptre in the hand.]

I'm CHRISTMAS PRESENT, King of all,  
Who throng within my festive hall,  
When Winter, with his icy breath,  
Comes creeping, like the hand of death.  
With tones of joy o'er field and glen,  
I come to touch the hearts of men,  
To cheer the sad, to raise the low,  
And heal the wounds of want and woe.  
I roam at pleasure far and wide,  
I smile within the halls of pride,  
I linger round the peasant's hearth,  
And bless his home with love and mirth.  
I hover round the couch of pain,  
And pleasure seems to smile again.  
I pause to hear the mourner's cry,  
Sent wafting upward to the sky,  
I stand beside the silent bier,  
And breathe, in accents sweet and clear,  
"The name of Him who came to-day  
To wipe the mourners' tears away.  
But see! the day has sunk to rest,  
And chills the life-spring in my breast,  
My eyes grow dim with sudden gloom,  
"The shadow of the silent tomb.  
My shadow falls,—my task is done,  
I journey towards the setting sun.  
One greater still comes after me,  
"The King of CHRISTMAS YET TO BE."

[Here enters CHRISTMAS TO COME as CHRISTMAS PRESENT disappears.]

### CHRISTMAS TO COME.

[Dress, a pure white robe, a golden crown, and a sceptre of olive branch.]

"From out that dim and silent shore,  
That mortal never wandered o'er,  
I come with pealing Christmas chime,  
"To ring the knell of sin and crime,  
"To ring the night's dark clouds away,  
Ring in the pure and perfect day,  
Ring out the old—ring in the new,  
Ring out the false—ring in the true,  
Ring out mankind's enmity,  
Ring in the year of Jubilee,  
For through the lifted veil of Time  
I hear a sweet, mysterious chime,  
"That spreads its tones o'er land and sea,  
And discord turns to harmony;  
It bids grim hate and strife to cease,  
And war is changed to smiling peace,  
"To weary souls it whispers rest,  
And comfort to the troubled breast;  
It wakes again the world's song,  
Glad tidings of the Saviour's birth,  
It waits the weary life he led,  
Who hid not where to lay his head,  
It echoes back the words he cried,  
Who wearily loved his head and died,  
"Tis Finished!—and the words resound,  
"Through all the angel hosts around,  
While men redeemed, with joy proclaim,  
Hosannas to their Saviour's name."

[Here all the scholars sing HOSANNA, etc.]

## Humorous.

### A Schoolboy on Corns.

Corn is of two kinds—vegetable and animal. Vegetable corn grows in rows, animal corn grows on toes. There is the unicorn, capricorn, corn dogger, field corn and the corn, which is the corn you feel the most. It is said, I believe, that gophers like corn, but persons having corns do not like to go far, if they can help it. Corns have kernels, and some colons have corns. Vegetable corn grows on ears, but animal corn grows on the feet, at the other end of the body. Another kind of corn is the acorn; this grows on oaks, but there is no lion about the corn. The acorn is a corn with an indefinite article indeed. Try it and see. Many a man who has a corn wishes it was an acorn. Folks that have corns sometimes send for a doctor, and if the doctor himself is corned he probably won't do so well as if he wasn't. The doctor says corns are produced by tight boots and shoes, which is probably the reason why when a man is tight they say he is corned. If a farmer manages well, he can get a good deal of corn on his acre, but I know of a farmer that has a corn which makes the biggest ache on his farm. The bigger crop of vegetable corn a man makes the better he likes it; but the bigger crop of animal corn he raises, the better he don't like it. Another kind of corn is the corn dogger. The way it is made is very simple, and is as follows:—If you want to know: You go along the street and you meet a man who you know has a corn, and a rough character; then you step on the toe that has a corn on it, and see if you don't have occasion to dodge. In that way you will see what a corn dogger is.

## S. E. ALLEN, 1877.

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